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In re Application of :
Günter Wolf *et al* : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/365,613 :
Filed: August 2, 1999 :
For: Grip For A Portable :
Hand-Guided Working :
Tool And Molding Same :

This is a decision on the petition filed on May 1, 2002 by which petitioners request withdrawal of the holding that this application stands abandoned for failure to file a reply to the Office letter dated January 18, 2001.

The petition is granted.

Petitioners allege that the Office letter in question and the subsequent Notice of Abandonment were not received. A review of the application file shows that these letters were not properly addressed to the correspondence address of record. Therefore, it is clear that this application was not abandoned.

This application is being forwarded to the Head Supervisory Applications Examiner to correct the correspondence address of record in the PALM system. Specifically, the address of record is in New Mexico, not Mexico as currently in PALM. A copy of the January 18, 2001 Office letter will thereafter be mailed to petitioners. However, prior to mailing that Office letter, a telephone call will be made to petitioners to ascertain whether the address at 11896 N. Highway 14 is still currently the correct correspondence address, because it is noted that the return address on the instant petition is different. In the event that it is ascertained that petitioners have changed their correspondence address, the Head Supervisory Applications Examiner should require that petitioners immediately file, via facsimile transmission, a change of correspondence address. Appropriate changes in the PALM system should be made prior to remailing the Office letter in question.

As a courtesy, a copy of this decision is being mailed to two different addresses. No further correspondence will be mailed to two addresses.

PETITION GRANTED.

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